

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

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FY 97 Plumbing Fixtures Fee

What Is This Fee, and When Is It Due?

This fee is assessed for the certification and listing of plumbing fixtures by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC). An initial fee of \$50.00 per plumbing fixture model is charged, and an annual renewal fee of \$25.00 per plumbing fixture model will be assessed to maintain the listing. This renewal fee is payable to the TNRCC by the manufacturer or importer of the listed plumbing fixtures on or before October 31 of each year.

Who Is Charged This Fee?

Manufacturers, importers, and major suppliers of plumbing fixtures who sell, offer for sale, distribute, or import plumbing fixtures for use in the state are charged this fee. This fee does not apply to plumbing fixtures manufactured in the state for sale outside of the state. The TNRCC compiles and maintains a current plumbing fixtures list. This list is composed of the manufacturers or importers whose fixtures meet the "Water-Saving Standards" as outlined by the Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 372.

Are There Any Late Charges or Penalties for Nonpayment of This Fee?

No. There are no interest or penalty provisions, because the effect of delinquent fee payment is removal from the certified plumbing fixture list.

Why Must I Return the Coupon with My Payment?

The payment coupon (the top portion of your bill) contains an optical character reader (OCR) line. When we receive your payment, a computer reads your account number from that OCR line. Without the original coupon, we must send your payment to another location for manual processing. That slows our processing of your payment and raises the possibility that your payment may not be credited to the correct account.

I Have More than One Account; May I Send One Check for the Total Amount?

You may send all your payments in one envelope, but please enclose a separate check for each coupon. If the number of checks does not equal the number of coupons, we will have to process your payment manually, and your accounts may not be credited correctly.

Where Do I Send My Payment?

You should return your payment and the payment coupon to the mailing address shown on the back of the coupon. Use the envelope provided for your convenience.

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Where Should I Send Address Changes and Company Contact Information?

You should send address changes and company contact information to the address shown below. Should you have technical questions about your fee or need additional information, you may contact the Water-Saving Fixture Program at (512) 239-6020.

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission
Water Utilities Division
Water-Saving Fixture Program, MC-155
PO Box 13087
Austin TX 78711-3087

Where Should I Send Information Regarding My Fee Account?

If you wish to provide the TNRCC with information regarding only your fee account, please mail your correspondence to:

Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission
Financial Administration Division, MC-214
PO Box 13087
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For your account balance or for information regarding other elements of this fee program, you may contact the Financial Administration Division at (512) 239-0343.



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